



PERKINS COMMUNITY COLLEGE RECIPIENTS

This document outlines the reVISION reFRESH process for community colleges who participate in Perkins. It includes an overview of the process, timeline, FAQ, and related process worksheets that will be submitted to the NDE.

reVISION OVERVIEW

In 2020, Nebraska schools and community colleges were required to complete a comprehensive local needs assessment (called [reVISION](#)) to meet the new required elements of the Strengthening Career and Technical Education for the 21st Century Act (Perkins V). reVISION is the foundation for local Career and Technical Education (CTE) implementation – it drives the college's [local Perkins application](#) development and future spending decisions. It is a chance to take an in-depth look at the entire local and regional CTE system and identify areas where targeted improvements can lead to increased opportunities for student success. reVISION, if implemented thoughtfully, can be a powerful opportunity to engage stakeholders in a common understanding and vision for the future of CTE in a community and region. *Only outcomes identified through the reVISION process and included in the college's four-year local Perkins application are eligible for Perkins funding.*

reFRESH IN 2022

Perkins V stipulates that to remain eligible for Perkins funding, the comprehensive local needs assessment (reVISION) completed in 2020 must be updated (or "reFRESHed", in Nebraska) at least every two years. This process is called reVISION reFRESH. reVISION reFRESH provides an opportunity to review the original reVISION outcomes, reflect on any available new data and information relative to the original needs assessment, evaluate progress towards achieving identified goals and 'desired states' by 2024, and determine if any modifications are needed to the college's approved four-year Perkins application. This will also serve as a time for community colleges to request technical assistance from the NDE to help in achieving stated goals or closing gaps in access to high-quality CTE programs for all learners.

REQUIRED PARTICIPANTS

Each community college desiring to operate as an approved CTE program must complete the reVISION reFRESH process. If your college wishes to participate in any Perkins-funded activity or to remain eligible to receive and use Perkins funds (e.g. reVISION Action grants), the reVISION reFRESH process must be completed at the local level.

OPERATING AS A COMMUNITY COLLEGE RECIPIENT

Perkins community colleges are those who, for Perkins, received an individual allocation over \$50,000. Each community college must complete the reVISION reFRESH process individually by reflecting on the questions posed and completing the worksheets provided. Each college must submit the outcomes of their reFRESH process to the NDE no later than March 15, 2022. Then, local results should be used to help determine where updates to the college's local Perkins application may be needed.

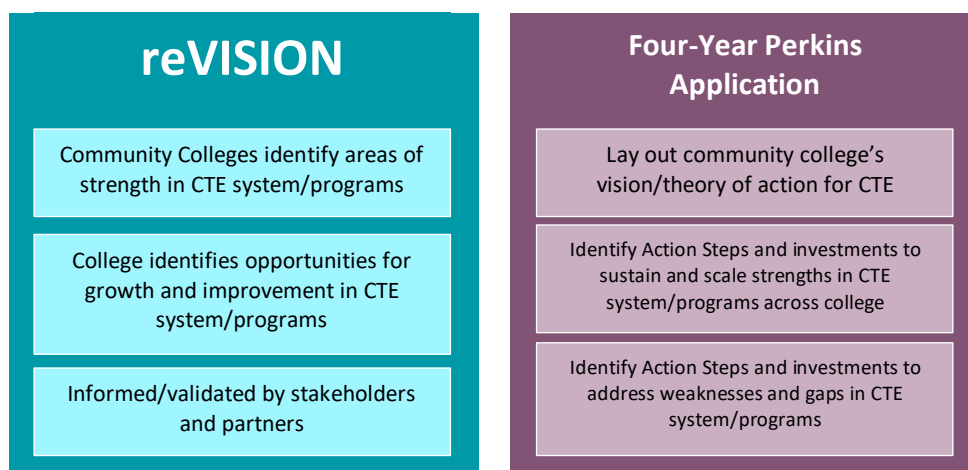
reFRESH COMPONENTS

Through the [original reVISION process](#), your college reviewed data and considered relevant questions across six elements:

1. Career Development
2. Local Workforce Alignment
3. Size, Scope, and Quality and Implementing CTE Programs of Study
4. Student Performance Data
5. Recruitment, Retention, and Training of Faculty and Staff
6. Work-Based Learning

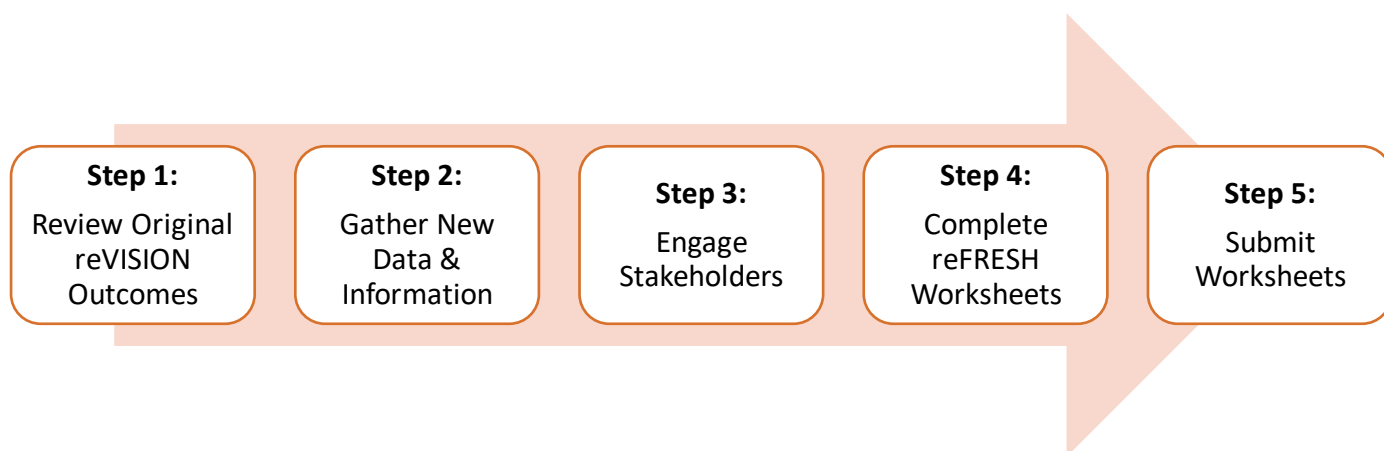
Via consensus, a rating was self-assigned to each element based on a reflection of the current state and desired future state. Potential action steps (strategies) were similarly developed across all six elements.

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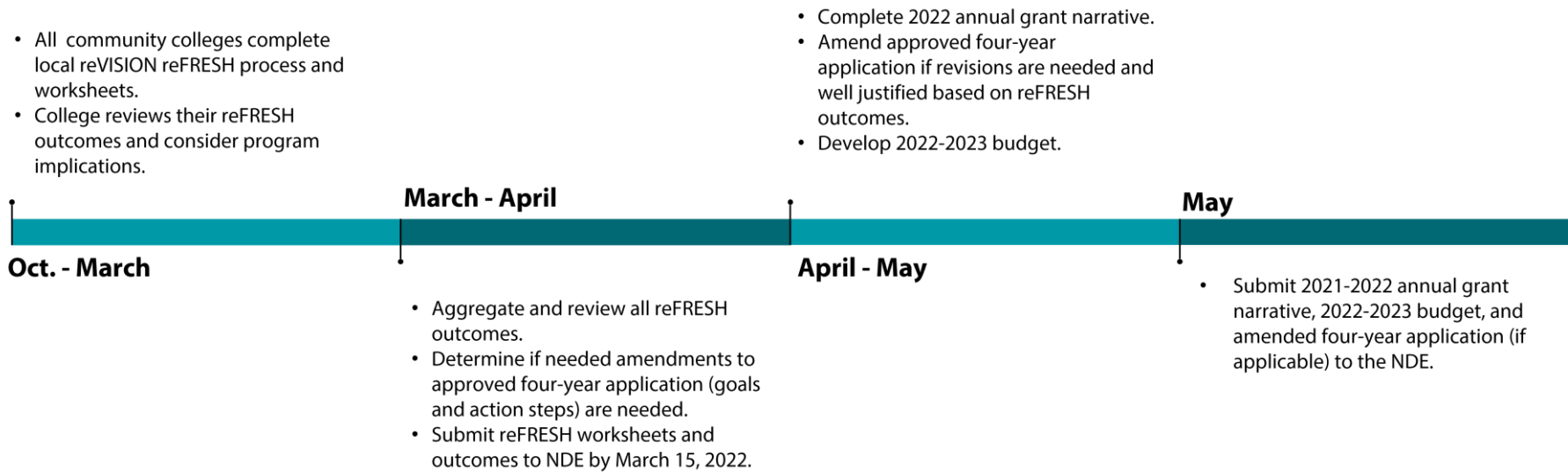
REVISION REFRESH PROCESS

There are five primary steps to reVISION reFRESH where community colleges will evaluate their progress towards achieving the goals outlined in their original reVISION process. The NDE CTE team has developed tools and resources (below) to help complete this process. Refer to the checklist, timeline, and process worksheets below.



Note: There are areas and activities that overlap with other efforts already happening in your community colleges (e.g., addressing areas impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic). It is encouraged that you to capitalize on this existing work to maximize resources and avoid duplicating efforts.

reVISION reFRESH TIMELINE



reVISION reFRESH PROCESS CHECKLIST

Step 1: Review your community college's original reVISION process outcomes

- ☐ Review the Element worksheets and self-rating scores. While these were not required to be submitted to the NDE, many were. If you are unable to locate your results, please contact Teri Sloup (teri.sloup@nebraska.gov) for assistance.
- ☐ Review your college's four-year Perkins application. This includes a summary of your reVISION outcomes/Elements worksheets, which describe the current state and future desired state. All approved four-year applications can be found [here](#).

Step 2: Gather relevant and updated data, if available

- ☐ The [reVISION Guidebook](#) and [Resource Manual](#) – these documents assisted college's in the entire reVISION process, including self-reflection questions, potential data sources, stakeholders to engage, and consultation strategies aligned to each element.
- ☐ There are many areas that overlap with other efforts already happening in your community college. It is encouraged that you capitalize on this existing work to maximize resources and avoid duplicating efforts (as applicable).
- ☐ Reflect on your college's vision for CTE and career development opportunities.

Step 3: Identify stakeholders to involve

- ☐ Review the required stakeholders engaged through the 2020 process and update and re-engage as appropriate. If substantial changes are identified, sufficient stakeholder engagement must be documented throughout the planning process.

Step 4: Complete Process Worksheet 1 and 2 of the reVISION reFRESH process

- ☐ The two reFRESH process worksheets are intended to assist community colleges in monitoring progress towards achieving original goals set in 2020 as a result of the reVISION process and to identify any areas within your approved four-year Perkins application in need of adjustments based on new information and data. Be sure to include stakeholders engaged when describing any rationale for changes. A list of required and suggested stakeholders can be found in the original [reVISION Guidebook](#) and [Resource Manual](#).

Step 5: Submit

- ☐ Submit your completed worksheets to the NDE by March 15th.

Frequently Asked Questions

What if my community college chooses not to participate in the reVISION reFRESH process?

If an individual community college chooses not to complete the reVISION reFRESH process, they will no longer be eligible for any Perkins funding or participation in any Perkins-funded programs until the original reVISION process has been updated. This is a requirement under Perkins V. Just as in years past, there are minimum requirements and qualifications to participate in Perkins. In Perkins V, the completion of reVISION and updating it every two years is one of those requirements.

What if there are existing efforts where my college is analyzing and collecting the same data/information?

There are many areas that overlap with other efforts already happening in your community colleges (especially those related to addressing the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic). It is encouraged to capitalize on this existing work so as not to duplicate efforts and maximize resources.

Are we still eligible to apply for a reVISION Action Grant?

All community colleges who have completed the reVISION and reVISION reFRESH process will remain eligible to participate in reVISION Action grant opportunities.

Can the approved four-year local Perkins application be amended during this two-year update (reFRESH)?

Yes – after a review of reVISION reFRESH outcomes, there may be areas where the outcomes indicate needed adjustments to the approved four-year Perkins application. Community colleges will have the opportunity to amend their four-year application.